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Dueling of German Students, (From Mark Twain's "Tramp Abroad.") One day in the interest of science my agent obtained permission to bring me to the students' dueling place. We crossed the river and drove up the bank a few hundred

there must not be less than three.

corps. They were the challengers, and certain caps of other colors had volunteered to meet them. The students fight duels in the room which I have described, two days in custom has continued in Germany two hundred and fifty years. To return to my narrative. A

forward, gracefully removed their caps and saluted him also, and returned to their places. Everything their months and taking what at every corner and emptied.

crowded together in the foreground, is time for grown men at the south are always somewhat offensive, beand others stood behind them on chairs and tables. Every face was turned toward the center of attraction.

It is grown them at the solution of the stood of the s combatants were watching he is a northern man he will be re- Through many of the streets exceleach other with alert eyes; a perfect stillness, a breathless interest reigned. I felt that I was going to see some wary work. But not so. The instant the word was given, the two experitions sprang forward that I was going to see some wary work. But not so. The instant the word was given, any democratic candidate. The stal-

from a blade, and that blade, broken in several pieces, sent one of its fragments flying to the ceiling. A new sword was provided, and the fight proceeded. The exercise was tremendous, of course, and in time the fighters began to show great fatigue. They were allowed to rest a moment every little while; they got other rests by wounding each other, for then they could sit down protracted to twenty or thirty minutes, I judged. At last it was decided that the men were too much wearied to do battle longer. They

cigarettes while they waited for the coming duels. Nearly all of them wore colored caps; there were white the caps, green caps, blue caps, red caps; and bright yellow caps; so, all the five corps were present in strong force. In the windows at the vacual end of the room stood six or eight long, narrow-bladed swords with large protecting guards for the hand, and outside was a man at work sharpening others on a grind-stone. He understood his business; for when a sword left his hind one could shave himself with it.

It was observable that the young gentlemen neither bowed to nor spoke with students whose caps differed in color from their own. This spoke with students whose caps differed in color from their own. This cape caps differed in color from their own. The same furious way which had marked the previous one. I stood close by, but could not trell which hillows told and which did not, they feel in the duel, and with a more earnest interest, if he had reverbeen in a condition of comradeship with his analogonist; therefore, comradeship between the corps was not one mand one; then a sword left word the condition of comradeship with his analogonist; therefore, comradeship between the corps was not one mandal and no harm done; then a sword left word the condition of comradeship with his analogonist; therefore, comradeship with his analogonist; therefore, comradeship with his analogonist; therefore, comradeship between the corps was not one and one time the condition of comradeship with his analogonist; therefore, comradeship with his analogonist; therefore, comradeship with his problem. The suburbs of Mexico are not by some friend, that may son, the Hon. John the sense of the condition of comradeship with his analogonist; therefore, comradeship with his analogonist had not contain the company o

beginning of the duel the surgeon forma,

ankle they were padded thoroughly against injury; their arms were bandaged and re-bandaged, layer upon layer, until they looked like solid black logs. These weird apparitions had been hadsome youths, clad in fashionable attire, fifteen minutes before, but now they did not resemble any beings one ever sees unless in the senate. Indiana is the only northern state which was left entirely democratic after the elections of last autumn. Moderate republicans and immoderate dress is the leather trousers, jacket, and sombrero. The Mexican "swell" is as particular about the number of buttons down the outside of his trousers, the size of his sombrero, and the hang of his sword as an sees unless in nightmares. They that the south is able to control the and the hang of his sword as an student belonging to neither of the should be the democratic candidate cate rose-color, is remarkably fine. opposing corps placed himself in a st Cincinnati, or that they think it A row of trees has been planted on good position to umpire the combat; another student stood by with a watch and a memorandum-book to keep record of the time and the number and nature of the wounds; that any democratic candidate will not yet reached Mexico. However, a gray-haired surgeon was present be prejudiced in the north by south-with his lint, his bandages and his ern advocacy of his claims. It is and sprinkle it over the dust, which After a moment's time for all grown men at the south pause the duelists saluted the um- to understand that this notion has pire respectfully, then one after an- been industriously put about by Mr. | tory other the several officials stepped Tilden's friends in order to bulldoze

was ready now; students stood Gramercy Park may send them. It ing this operation, the smells, which

ments the quick-eyed seconds would notice that a sword was bent—then they called "Halt!" struck up the be really believed, and there will be contending weapons, and an assisting student straightened the bent one.

The wonderful turmoil went on—from a blade, and that blade, broken in several places sent one of its south ear no longer form political and the game scarce and poor.

other, for then they could sit down while the doctor applied the lint and bandages. The law is that the battle must continue fifteen minutes if the men can hold out; and as the the political standard of the present in the city as in New York, but the men can hold out; and as the the political standard of the present in the city as in New York, but the city as in New York and never; they can be procured the four delegates at large, three, Senator Vest, ex-Gov. Wood-son and John O'Day, are positive senator. pusses do not count, this duel was race of democratic voters in the prices are rather stiff, champaigne

place. We crossed the river and drove up the bank a few hundred yards, then turned to the left, entered a narrow alley, followed it a hundred yards and arrived at a two-story public house, we were acquainted with its outside aspect, at two-story public house, we were acquainted with its outside aspect, for it was visible from the hotel. We went up-stairs and passed into a large white washed apartment which was perhaps fifty feet long, by thirty feet wide and twenty or twenty-five high. It was a well lighted place. There was no carpet, Across one end and down both sides of the room extended a row of tables, and at these tables some fifty or seventy-fivestudents were sitting. Some of them were sipping wire, others were playing cards, others chess, other groups were chatting together, and many were smoking in gentlemen of the white cap ocpass the first was a drawn battle and the white cap ocpass the first was a drawn battle and also pointed out his challenger, a young gentlemen of the white cap ocpass the first was a drawn battle and the first was a first was defined at the second of the shop-tended a row of tables, and at these tables some fifty of the whole convention be or the south was leaning against the opposite wall smoking a cigarette while they waited for the coming duels. Nearly all of them was leaning against the coming quels. Nearly all of them was leaning against the coming contest had the effect of giving me a kind of personal interest in it. I mativally will be pressonal interest in it. I mativally will be made to foot the same thank of personal interest in it. I mativally will be read to be at Cinnati tis now clearly foreshadowed, the manutic south that the minutes for attails now clearly foreshadowed. The shade the beverage which is supposed to the clear time in the defectations of New York and the decardions of New York and the core given it he had all the force given it he

with his antagonist; therefore, comradeship between the corps was not permitted. At intervals the presidents of the five corps have a cold official intercourse with each other, but nothing further. For example, when the regular dueling days of the wite corps student of the control of the Lime, Plaster, &c., when the regular dueing day of one of the corps approaches, its president calls for volunteers from among the membership to offer bat.

When the regular dueing day of wound on the side of his head and Charles IV., King of Spain, whose legs were so strong that he could squeeze a horse until it was breathanother bad wound in the head, and less. Luckily he is not represented the former had his under-lip divid- in this act, and the sculptor has sucdent gave many severe wounds, but equestrian statues in the world. got none of consequence in return. At the end of five minutes from the beginning of the duel the surgeon forma, leading to Chapultepec, little purpose if the slanders and opped it; the challenging party which looks at the distance not unhad suffered such injuries that any like Windsor Castle when viewed from the other end of the famous Long Walk. Here in the afterspectacle, but are better left unde-scribed. So, against expectation, my in carriages or to ride on horseback. made in Paris, and are, with the exception of a few Victorias, altogether closed. The reason given for this is that there is a rainy seaseason of three months, and consequently during all the other nine introduced us to six or eight friends of his who also wore white caps, and while we stood conversing, two strange-looking figures were led in from another room. They were bare-headed; their eyes were protected an inch or more, the leather strangs of which bound their ears of strangs of which bound their ears of the democratic party. In the house of the occupants can have a great deal less, and added that he democratic party. In the house of representatives well-nigh one flat against their heads; their necks were wound around and around around and around and around and around and around and around around and around around and around around and around and around around around and around around and around arou

deceted by iron goggles which properties are straps of which bound their ears flat against their heads; their necks were wound around around around around with thick wrappings which a sword could not cut through; from chin to ankle they were padded thoroughly against injury; their arms were against injury; their arms "bargained out," I pronounce it in-famously and shamefully false, and my blood atmost curdles, and my sees anless in nightmares. They strode along, with their arms projecting straight out from their bodies; they did not hold them out themselves, but fellow-students waked beside them and gave the needed support.

There was a rush for the vacant end of the room, and we followed and got good places. The combattants were placed face to face, each with several members of his own corps about him to assist; two seconds, well padded, and with swords in their hands, took near stations; a student belonging to neither of the success of the south is able to control the hand of his sword as an English fox-hunter is about the end of his boots. Many ladies also ride, but they g when I think of such charges being

his state and people are now free and prosperous, and no longer re-quire his services; his financial afis generally about six inches deep, but the results are scarcely satisfacfairs and home matters demand his As a rule the streets are clean, but attention. The constitution and the laws of his country give him the right to retire. His salary is not sufficient to support his family badly paved, and before the rainy and meet all his needs for mone He is not rich; after years of toll in his country's service, he comes out poorer than when he went in. He The instant the word was given, the two apparitions sprang forward and began to rain blows down upon each other with such lightning rapidity that I could not quite tell whether I saw the swords or only the flashes they made in the air; the rattling din of these blows as they struck steel or paddings was something wonderfully stirring, and they were struck with such terrific force that I could not understand why the opposing sword was not reached and conductor take life. The driver has a comfortable arm-chair on the front platform, and the conductor take life. The driver has a comfortable arm-chair on the front platform, and the conductor take life. The driver has a comfortable arm-chair on the front platform, and the conductor take life. The driver has a comfortable arm-chair on the front platform, and the conductor take life. The driver has a comfortable arm-chair on the front platform, and the conductor take life. The driver has a comfortable arm-chair on the front platform, and the conductor take life. The driver has a comfortable arm-chair on the front platform, and the conductor take life. The driver has a comfortable arm-chair on the front platform, and the conductor take life. The driver has a comfortable arm-chair on the front platform, and the conductor take life. The driver has a comfortable arm-chair on the front platform, and the conductor take life. The driver has a comfortable arm-chair on the front platform, and the conductor take life. The driver has a comfortable arm-chair on the front platform, and the conductor take life. The driver has a comfortable arm-chair on the front platform, and the conductor take life. The driver has a comfortable arm-chair on the front platform, and the conductor take life. The driver has a comfortable arm-chair on the front platform, and the conductor take life. The driver has a comfortable arm-chair on the front platform, and the conductor take life. The driver has a comfortable arm-chair on the front platform, and the something the stage. The driver has a comform Presently, in the midst of the sword-flashes, I saw a handful of hair skip into the air as if it had lain loose on The business men of the north and the same of the sword-into the air as if it had lain loose on The business men of the north and the same of the sword-into the air as if it had lain loose on The business men of the north and the same of the north and the same of the north and the same of the sword-into the air as if it had lain loose on The business men of the north and the same of the north and the north and the north and the same of the north and t

Missourl Anti-Tilden.

(St. Louis Post-Dispatch.) Twenty-one to nine is the com plexion of the anti-Tilden delegation thosen at Moberly. These simple igures tell their own tale.

It was a great victory, indeed, Instead of an instructed Tilden delgation, Missouri sends a free, untwo-thirds of which is pronounced

against Mr. Tilden. Those who stand defeat without de

Of the twenty-six district delgates Mr. Tilden has only seven or eight. Most of these are Tilden men with its and buts. That is, they have a kindly feeling for the ticket of 1876, and would like to see it put in the field again. But they like success still more to take any risks, and will not vote for Mr. Tilden unless it appears at Circinnati

The Tilden delegates are so few that for all practical purposes the delegation will be harmenlous and nearly, if not entirely, united at

In the first and second congres sional districts (St. Louis) Messrs. Given, Campbell, Harris, Francis and Pulitzer are pronounced against

In the third district Mr. Dan. Kerwin is against Tilden, and probably Mr. Carroli, too, though this is not certain.

Messrs. Yancey and Walker, from the fourth district, are both against The fifth district sends one Tilden man in Mr. Booth and one against him in Mr. Woodside. The sixth district sends two posi-tive anti-Tilden men—ex-Congress-man Mergan and E. P. Linsay. The seventh district sends tw

Tilden men-John Cosgrove and W. B. Steele.

The eighth district sends two pronounced anti-Tilden delegates—Dr.
Mumford, of the Kansas City Times. and Wallace Pratt.

I see from a copy of your paper, which has been sent me by some friend, that my son, the Hon. John B. Gordon, has resigned his seat in the senate of the United States, and

ent fime he has been the pride and qualified Tilden men-Messrs. Me the joy of my life. I am now near Quoid and Marshall. ed. After that, the white corps stu-dent gave many severe wounds, but conestrian statues in the world more days and I shall have passed Dryden and P. Ward, both anti-

At least two-thirds of the delege and counsels would have been to tion are against Mr. Tilden. As to little purpose if the slanders and the personal preferences of these falsehoods uttered against my son two-thirds, Horatio Seymour un had any foundation in fact. As I stated above, he has always mour be out of question, and B been obedient and confiding. When Morrison have a chance, he could he could reach my ear he has always consulted me before taking a momentous step.

He made me a visit in March last, the made me a visit in March last, the made me a visit in March last, the delegation.

Ite made me a visit in March last, and while here he said to me, "Pa, I am tired of public life. I crave the peace and quietude of my home and home affairs; besides, I can't save up any money out of my salary; and the idea of dying and leaving my family without a competency troubles me no little," He then went on to say that if he was

and occasions, his readiness to die! Would he betray or sell for lucre that integrity and honor which is dearer to him than life itself? Not no! no! Away with such infamous falsehoods. Let those who condemn his course put themselves in his place. He had served his people in war and in peace with undying devotion. He had on his hands a large and growing family; his state and people are now free paper, what do you reckon would have become of ine? Wouldn't

be some other feller, or may be no

ford him a competency. Georgia house, armed with a hatchet, and has other sons capable of filling contrived to climb from the suditofilling | contrived to climb from the audito has other some capacity. Where, then, is the crime of which he is coulty? What one of his accusers nounced himself to the terrifled auwould not have acted as he did un- dience as "the Avenger of Man-Researly, in the midet of the sword.

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